



# Presidential Team Induction Service 2020

Methodist Conference 2020

*Papatoetoe*

Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa

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# *Induction Service*

**Theme: 'What's in Your Hand?'**

**Chaplain:** Kia ora e te whānau o te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa, Talofa lava, Mālō ē lelei, Ni sa bula vinaka. Welcome to this service where we gather to celebrate our life as The Methodist Church of New Zealand, and to induct the President and Vice President of our Church for the next two years.

Ko te Atua te tīmatanga o te whakaaro nui, whakapaingia tōna ingoa tapu. Whakapaingia te Atua i runga, i raro, i waho, i roto, whakapaingia te Atua Wairua kei ngā wāhi katoa.

Kia kotahi tō tātou whakamoemiti, whakapai i a Ihowa o ngā mano, a te Atua kaha rawa, ora tonu. Otirā, te Kaihanga o te rangi, te whenua me ngā mea katoa – tae atu hoki ki te tangata.

Kia tau ki a koutou te atawhai, me te rangimārie o te Atua.

**All: Mā te Atua koe e whakaū, ki te pono me te hari.**

*Lighting of the Conference Candle*

**Chaplain:** Kia inoi tātou:  
E te Atua, tēnei ano mātou āu pononga te inoi nei ki a koe, kia tata mai koe ki a mātou i tēnei wā, hei āwhina, hei arataki i a mātou, kia whakakorōriatia ai koe i roto i a mātou mahi katoa.  
Ko koe hoki te Atua e ora nei, e mana nei i āu pononga, i ngā wā katoa.  
**Āmine.**

We praise God as we join with generations of Methodists who have gone before us, as we sing the traditional Conference Hymn:

**Hymn: “*And are we yet alive?*”**

*The President, Vice President, President Elect, Vice President Elect and their whānau and other church leaders enter during this hymn*

And are we yet alive,  
and see each other's face?  
Glory and praise to Jesus give  
for his redeeming grace!

'OKU tau kei mo'ui,  
Mo femamata'aki!  
Fakafeta'i hotau malu'i  
He Tamai Fakalangi.

What troubles have we seen,  
what conflicts have we passed,  
fighting without, and fears within,  
since we assembled last!

But out of all the Lord  
hath brought us by His love;  
and still he doth His help afford,  
and hides our life above.

Tau fua kolosi pe:  
'E 'ikai fiu'a fai.  
Kalauni 'oku ha mei  
Tau lova pe ki ai.

Let us take up the cross,  
till we the crown obtain;  
and gladly reckon all things loss,  
so we may Jesus gain.

*Charles Wesley  
Tune: St Michael, MHB 377*

*The President Elect, Vice President Elect and their whānau take  
their seats*

**Minita:** Ka whakawhetai tonu mātou ki a koe, e te Atua.  
Ka whakawhetai tonu mātou.  
Kei te tata mai hoki tōu ingoa.  
E kōrerotia ana e te tangata āu mahi  
whakamīharo.  
*(We give thanks to you O God,  
we give thanks to you.  
We proclaim how great you are and tell of the  
wonderful things you have done.)*

*Psalm 75:1*

**All:** **Korōria ki a koe e te Atua.**  
*(Glory to you O God).*

**President:** Gracious God be near us, we pray,  
through the life of this Conference.  
May your grace surround us,  
may Christ be present with us,  
may the Holy Spirit be our guide and counsellor.  
So, in all that we do, in all that we say,  
and in all that we are,  
may we be worthy of Jesus Christ  
whom we seek to serve.  
**Amen.**

**Inoi O Te Ariki (*The Lord's Prayer*):**

**Minita:** E Ihowa tohungia mātou

**All:** **E te Karaiti tohungia mātou**

**Minita:** E Ihowa tohungia mātou

**All:**

**E tō mātou Matua i te rangi  
Kia tapu tōu Ingoa.  
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.  
Kia meatia tau e pai ai  
ki runga ki te whenua.  
kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.  
Homai ki a mātou aianeī  
he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.  
Murua o mātou hara,  
me mātou hoki e muru nei  
i o te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.  
Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia;  
engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino;  
nōu hoki te rangatiratanga,  
te kaha me te korōria,  
ake, ake, ake. Āmine.**

# *Induction of The President and Vice President*

*The congregation stands*

**Congregation:** President Setaita, we present to you Rev. Andrew Doubleday who has been selected to be the President of The Methodist Church of New Zealand-Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa, for the next two years. We commend him to the prayers and loyal support of the Church.

**Congregation:** Vice President Nicola, we present to you 'Etuini Talakai, who has been selected to be the Vice President of The Methodist Church of New Zealand-Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa, for the next two years. We commend him to the prayers and loyal support of the Church.

*The President Elect and Vice President Elect move to the sanctuary.*

**President:** Andrew, you have been selected to be President of our Church. In the name of the people called Methodist, I greet you and welcome you to this ministry. I charge you, as President, to exercise your pastoral, prophetic, sacramental, and administrative responsibilities for the care and oversight of The Methodist Church of New Zealand-Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa.

**President Elect:** Setaita my sister in Christ, I accept this privilege and responsibility from your hands. I pledge myself to be a faithful pastor and leader of our Church. May God give me grace to do this by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Vice President:** ‘Etuini, you have been selected to be Vice President of our Church. In the name of the people called Methodist, I greet you and welcome you to this ministry. I charge you, as Vice President, to exercise your pastoral, prophetic, and administrative responsibilities for the care and oversight of The Methodist Church of New Zealand-Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa.

**Vice President Elect:**  
Nicola, my sister in Christ, I accept this privilege and responsibility from your hands. I pledge myself to be a faithful servant and leader of our Church. May God give me grace to do this by the power of the Holy Spirit.

*Congregation and whānau take their seats*

**Outgoing President:**  
Andrew, in token of your induction, I place upon you this stole, symbol of the office of President;  
  
I present to you this Bible, your guide and source of spiritual strength.  
  
I entrust to your care the Official Seal of the Conference.



**All: May God give you the grace to fulfil your Presidential role for the wellbeing of the Church.**

**Outgoing Vice President:**

‘Etuini in token of your induction, I place upon you this insignia, symbol of the office of Vice President;

I present to you this Bible, your guide and source of spiritual strength;

**All: May God give you the grace to fulfil your Vice Presidential role for the wellbeing of the Church.**

**Outgoing President:**

Let us all join together to pray for Andrew and ‘Etuini.

**All: Creator God,**

**Grant Andrew and ‘Etuini the grace to fulfil their ministries with faithfulness, courage, love and humility.**

**Give to them the strength and wisdom they will need.**

**Amen.**

**Minita:**

Ara mai kōrua i roto i te kaha o te Atua.  
*(Rise up in the power of the Lord)*

Mā Ihowa kōrua e manaaki,

Māna kōrua e tiaki,

Mā Ihowa e mea kia ara ake te māramatanga o ōna kanohi ki runga ki a kōrua.

Māna anō e tuku iho te rangimārie ki a kōrua aianeī, a, ake tonu atu. Āmine.

*The President & Vice President take their seats*

**Hymn: “Eternal Spirit of the living Christ”**

Eternal Spirit of the living Christ,  
I know not how to ask, or what to say;  
I only know my need, as deep as life,  
and only you can teach me how to pray.

Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day;  
help me to see your purpose and your will –  
where I have failed, what I have done amiss;  
held in forgiving love, let me be still.

Come with the vision and the strength I need  
to serve my God, and all humanity;  
fulfilment of my life in love outpoured –  
my life in you, O Christ, your love in me.

*Words Frank Von Christenson,  
Music Colin Gibson*

## *The Ministry of the Word*

**Old Testament:** Exodus 3:1-10, 4:1-5

*Luke Doubleday*

**Gospel:** John 5:17-20

*Tevita Mapilivai Talakai*

**Presidential Address:** What's in your hand?

*Congregation stands*

**Hymn: “We are many, we are one”**

We are many, we are one,  
and the work of Christ is done  
when we learn to live in true community,  
As the stars that fill the night,  
as a flock of birds in flight,  
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;  
as the branches of a tree,  
as the waves upon the sea,  
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

All division is made whole  
when we honour every soul,  
find the life of God in every you and me,  
as the fingers of a hand,  
as the grains that form the sand,  
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;  
as the threads upon a loom,  
as a field of flowers in bloom,  
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

We will join creation’s song,  
make a world where all belong,  
build as one in peace in loving harmony,  
as the voices of a choir,  
as the flames within a fire,  
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;  
as the snowflakes in the snow,  
as the colours of a bow,  
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

*Words and Music: Colin Gibson.  
Tune: Hamilton; FFS 67*

*Congregation sits*

## Prayer response

**Vice President:** Gracious God, giver of all that is good, we thank you for creating the world in which we live and with whom we share our life. Forgive us when we have treated the world as ours to dominate rather than as our common home.

**All:** **Give us the grace of a repentance that will help us to see as we need to see and that will cause us to act responsibly as part of the family of creation.**

**Vice President:** Gracious God, giver of all that is good, we thank you for making each one of us in your image, unique and beloved. Forgive us when we have failed to recognise the gift of who we are, our strengths and weaknesses, our passions and vulnerabilities.

**All:** **Give us the grace of true humility that we might know to whom we belong and find the courage and hope to be, to love and to serve.**

**Vice President:** Gracious God, giver of all that is good, we thank you for Jesus Christ who lived and died to show the depths of your love. Forgive us when we have failed to be open to your love, attributing to you a meanness of spirit which reflects our own fear.

**All:** **Give us the grace of gratitude that we might see the extent of your commitment to the whole world and accept your invitation to work for its flourishing.**

**Vice President:** Gracious God, giver of all that is good,  
we thank you for your generous activity in  
every part of our lives, often unnoticed.  
Forgive us when we have failed to appreciate  
the stirring of your love and justice often  
close at hand.

**All:** **Give us the grace of noticing, our eyes  
and ears opened to recognise your Spirit in  
the ordinary and the everyday, calling us  
to share in your life-giving work.**

**Strengthen us to respond with courage,  
with peace and with joy to your call upon  
our lives. In Christ's name we pray.  
Amen.**

**Hymn:** ***"Love divine"***

*Tune: Blaenwern*

Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down;  
fix in us thy humble dwelling;  
all thy faithful mercies crown!  
Jesus thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation;  
enter every trembling heart.

'Ofaange ke lilingi  
Ki he fakataha ni  
'A e kelesi Hotau 'Eiki  
Hono ivi ngaue mai!  
Ka tau hao mei he kovi,  
Ka tau laka pe ki mu'a  
'O tau tupu ai ke ofi  
Ki he anga he 'Otua.

[Tongan]

Sa dau yaco main a gauna [Fijian]  
Kivei keda kecega,  
Me da digitaka kina  
Na vinaka se na ca:  
Me da vakatudaliga  
Ki na kaci i Jisu,  
Se muria ga na meca  
Era cati Koya tu.

Le Ali'i e, silasila [Samoan]  
Ia i matou uma nei  
O tagata agasala  
Ma ua matua sese  
A ia e sisila lava  
I le maliu o Iesu  
Le na matua saunia  
O le olataga fou.

Finish then thy new creation,  
Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation,  
Perfectly restored in thee:  
Changed from glory into glory  
Till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Charles Wesley,  
Tune: *Blaenwern*, WOW 165(ii)

*The congregation remains standing*

## *Dismissal*

**President:** God of Providence,  
who has led us to this day and will lead us into  
the future you call us to create with you.  
Send us out in your name,  
send us to do your work, to be your people  
and to renew your church.  
And the blessing of God be with you,  
the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer of the  
World. Amen

*The Candle is extinguished*

**Hymn:** *“Mā te mārie” (sung unaccompanied)*

Mā te mārie a te Atua tātou katoa e tiaki; māna anō e whakaū ō tātou ngākau ki te pai.	<i>The peace of God keeps us all. He will confirm our hearts in goodness.</i>
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Mā te Atua Tamaiti ra, mā te Wairua Tapu hoki rātou, Atua kotahi nei, tātou katoa e whakapai.	<i>May the Son of God and the Holy Spirit too, one God bless us all.</i>
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Āmine

*Traditional Maori Hymn  
Tune: Old 100<sup>th</sup>, WOW 679, sung unaccompanied*

**Recessional:**

*Please remain standing while the Presidential Party  
processes out*